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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: ICAO EXTRAORDINARY ASSEMBLY/DIPLOMATIC  
CONFERENCE ROME, AUGUST 28-SEPTEMBER 21, 1973

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1. AT MEETING AUGUST 11 TO INTRODUCE EMBASSY'S NEW CIVIL AIR OFFICER TO A.H. ARBABI, IRANIAN CIVIL AYUATION ADMIN-ISTRATOR, EMB OFFICERS PASSED COPY OF DIPLOMATIC NOTE PER REFTTEL AND OUTLINED USG POSITION. ARBABI SAID IRAN WOULD BE REPRESENTED AT CONFERENCE BY MASUD GHODSI, CHIEF OF LEGAL DEPT DGCA AND BY HAMID RAZAVI, CHIEF OF LEGAL DEPT IRAN AIR. ARBABI SAID WOULD STUDY NOTE AND EXPECTED GOI POSITION WOULD BE SIMILAR DB THAT OF U.S.

2. IN OUTLINING USG POSITION, EMBOFF ASKED ARBABI ABOUT IRANIAN NEWSPAPER REPORTS AUGUST 8 THAT ON PREVIOUS DAY IN MOSCOW, IN CONNECTION PRIME MINISTER HOVEYDA'S VISIT, IRAN HAD INITIALED ANTI-HIJACKING AGREEMENT WITH SOVIET  
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UNION. PER NEWS REPORTS, THIS AGREEMENT PROVIDES FOR

QUOTE IMMEDIATE RETURN OF HIJACKED CIVILIAN AIRCRAFT AND THE REPATRIATION OF HIJACKERS ON A BILATERAL BASIS. UNQUOTE THIS DESCRIBED AS FIRST SUCH AGREEMENT BETWEEN ANY TWO COUNTRIES. ARBABI EXPRESSED NO KNOWLEDGE OF SUCH AGREEMENT AND DOUBTED THAT NEWS REPORT ACCURATE. HOWEVER, IN SUBSEQUENT MEETING ARBABI'S DEPUTY, JAFFAR ABOLMALI, STATED QUOTE UNOFFICIALLY UNQUOTE HE HAD EARLIER BEEN TOLD SUCH AGREEMENT WAS BEING PREPARED IN MFA BUT HE HAD NOT SEEN TEXT.

3. COMMENT: EMBOFF EXPRESSED INTEREST IN SEEING TEXT WHEN IT IS AVAILABLE AND WILL PURSUE POINT IN CALL ON MFA LEGAL DEPT. IF AGREEMENT IS IN ACCORD WITH NEWS REPORTS, IRAN'S POSITION ON SOVIET INITIATIVE FOR AUTOMATIC EXTRADITION OF HIJACKERS MAY BE AT VARIANCE WITH USG POSITION. HECK

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